

March 4, 2002

Joxel Garcia, M.D., Commissioner
Connecticut Department of Public Health
410 Capitol Avenue
Hartford, CT 06106

Dear Dr. Garcia:

This is to inform you that the New England Regional Office of the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) has approved Connecticut's Phase II, Phase IIB, and Phase V (Synthetic Organic and Inorganic Chemicals) Drinking Water Regulations. In addition, EPA has approved Connecticut's Lead and Copper Rule and the Revised Public Water System Definition.

A notice of EPA's proposed determination was published on January 7, 2002 in the Federal Register and in the Hartford Courant on January 10, 2002. The required 30-day public notice period has passed, with no requests for a public hearing. Therefore, pursuant to 40 C.F.R. Section 142.13(g), EPA approval is effective as of February 7, 2002.

We congratulate your Water Supply Program managers and staff for their diligent efforts. Your continued support and cooperation are appreciated. We look forward to working cooperatively with your Drinking Water Program staff in the adoption and approval of future drinking water regulations and primacy requirements.

Sincerely,

Robert W. Varney
Regional Administrator

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